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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

JEAN-CLAUDE JACQUET

: ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION

SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. APPLICATION :
(Based on PCT NO:FR00/02306)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-17 without prejudice.

Please add new Claims 18-34 as follows:

18. (New) A magnetooptic read head, comprising:

a magnetooptic transducer with a multilayer structure with at least one thin magnetic layer with a magnetooptic effect;

at least one layer of a nonmagnetic material and having a predetermined wear coefficient greater than that of the multilayer structure; and

a layer with good magnetic permeability for closing a magnetic circuit, and

wherein the layer with good magnetic permeability comprises alternating first sublayers made of a magnetic material with good magnetic permeability and second sublayers

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